

## Fiscal Year 2007-2008 CCLPEP GRANT RECIPIENTS

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Warren Kenji Berkey  
Project: *Gambaru*  
\$4,000

Description: Develop a collection of documentary video shorts, or gambaru, to be uploaded onto an interactive website, to be copied on DVD, and to be screened for the public in several organized viewing sessions.

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Kaz Maniwa  
California Japanese American Community Leadership Council  
Project: Japantowns Website  
\$25,000

Description: Develop a comprehensive website designed to describe the historic significance of California's Japantowns and the impact of Executive Order 9066 on them.

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Tammy Lau and Bill Secrest, Jr.  
California State University, Fresno Foundation & Fresno County Library (FCPL)  
Project: Henry Madden Library (CSU, Fresno)-FCPL Japanese American Project (Website)  
\$20,000

Description: Transcribe and digitize videotaped oral histories currently available only on video files and make them accessible on a collaborative website.

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Christopher Kenso Kagawa  
California State University, Sacramento  
Project: Report: Cross-generational Impact of the Japanese American Internment  
\$1,959

Description: Prepare a report documenting the cross-generational impact of the Japanese American internment on fourth generation Japanese Americans.

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Dale Ikeda  
Central California District Council, Japanese American Citizens League  
Project: Pinedale Memorial Storyboards  
\$20,000

Description: Create storyboards depicting the story of Japanese American internment and the redress movement, to be included in the Pinedale Assembly Center Memorial Remembrance Plaza.

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Christine Sato-Yamasaki  
Go for Broke National Education Center  
Project: Teen Leadership Development Program  
\$10,000

Description: Plan and conduct educational sessions for high school students including one-day workshops and a multi-day field trip that includes a visit to the Manzanar War Relocation Center.

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Margaret Ikeda and Craig Rock  
Project: Oral Histories for Arroyo Grande Japanese American Cultural Center  
\$5,000

Description: Collect and transcribe oral histories and develop activity guides for use at the Arroyo Grande Japanese American Cultural Center, which is designed to educate and inspire the local community and general public about the cross-cultural alliances and common values of an enduring Japanese American farming community.

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Brian Tadashi Maeda  
J-Town Pictures  
Project: *Music Man of Manzanar* – HD Formatting  
\$5,541

Description: Remaster *Music Man of Manzanar*, a CCLPEP grant-funded film, to high definition format so that it can be considered in the 81<sup>st</sup> Academy Awards in the short documentary category.

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Craig Ishii and Kathy Masaoka  
Japanese American Citizens League – Pacific Southwest District  
Project: Bridging Communities for Civil Rights  
\$10,000

Description: Connect the Japanese American community to the Muslim and South Asian American communities through a year-long series of campus visits, a large-scale conference, and a pilgrimage to Manzanar.

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Chris Aihara  
Japanese American Cultural & Community Center (JACCC)  
Project: Little Tokyo Open House  
\$5,000

Description: Provide promotional materials for the Little Tokyo Open House Project, a project designed to educate the new resident in the Downtown Los Angeles area about the historical and cultural resources that exist in the Little Tokyo community.

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Linda Canada and Susan Hasegawa  
Japanese American Historical Society of San Diego (JAHSSD)  
Project: Internment Art Exhibit  
\$5,000

Description: Develop an exhibit of art objects created by Japanese Americans while imprisoned in internment camps during World War II.

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John Esaki  
Japanese American National Museum  
Project: America's Promise  
\$5,000

Description: Norman Mineta will be a keynote speaker at the 2008 National Conference in Denver, discussing his involvement with the passage of the Civil Liberties Act of 1988.

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Alicia Kagawa  
Japanese Cultural and Community Center of Northern California  
Project: Nikkei Family Legacy Project  
\$30,000

Description: Create a toolkit and training program designed to encourage descendants of Japanese American internees to document the stories of their family members.

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Christine Toy Johnson  
Japanese Cultural & Community Center of Northern California  
Project: Screenings of *The Wat Misaka Story*  
\$15,000

Description: Present screenings in San Francisco, Sacramento, and Los Angeles of *The Wat Misaka Story*, a documentary film about the first person of color to be drafted to play professional basketball with the National Basketball Association.

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Jack Fujimoto & Randall Fujimoto  
Japanese Institute of Sawtelle  
Project: The Evolution of Sawtelle  
\$13,000

Description: Videotape interviews of individuals who experienced life in the Sawtelle area of West Los Angeles before and after World War II.

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Cathleen Kiyomi Kozen  
Project: Research Project on the Redress Movement  
\$3,000

Description: Conduct research and data collection on the Japanese American redress movement from the postwar period to the present.

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Greg Marutani  
Project: Internment Artifact Photos  
\$4,000

Description: Create digital photographs, to be mounted on a website, of privately owned internment camp artifacts.

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Claire Mix  
Project: Ruth Mix Documentary  
\$20,000

Description: Create a documentary film about Ruth Mix, a Caucasian teenage girl who worked at the Japanese American internment camp in Gila River, Arizona.

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Tadashi Nakamura  
Project: *We Are the Children*  
\$5,000

Description: Create a documentary film chronicling the cultural legacy of the early Asian American movement (1969-1978) through the eyes of the late Chris Iijima's teenage son.

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Banafsheh Akhlaghi  
National Legal Sanctuary for Community Advancement  
Project: MEMSA 2007-08 Project  
\$25,000

Description: Series of filmed oral histories of Middle Eastern, Muslim, and South Asian (MEMSA) individuals who have had experiences similar to the Nikkei cases during WWII, comparing and contrasting how the experiences of National Legal Sanctuary for Community Advancement (NLSA) clients of today, post 9-11, and the Nikkei are similar.

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Patty Ito Nagano and Kathy Nishimoto Masaoka  
Nikkei for Civil Rights & Redress  
Project: *Stand Up for Justice* Curriculum Packets  
\$6,000

Description: Distribute curriculum packet and DVD of *Stand Up for Justice: the Ralph Lazo Story*, an educational short film, to California secondary school teachers.

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Sevenju Pepper  
Project: Baachan's House  
\$5,500

Description: Develop an exhibit of photos and companion items related to the farm abandoned by her grandparents when they were sent to a Japanese American internment camp.

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Deepee Sahota  
Regents of the University of California  
Project: Web Access to Translated Legal Documents Concerning the Japanese American Internment  
10,000

Description: Create an online resource of translated laws, cases, and policies related to Japanese American internment during World War II and to the current U.S. War on Terrorism.

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Richard Keeler  
Riverside Community College District  
Project: Mine Okubo Collection  
\$5,000

Description: Mount the art of Mine Okubo on the Riverside City College Library website and inventory her personal papers.

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Gary Dei Rossi  
San Joaquin County Office of Education  
Project: History-Social Science Curriculum  
\$210,000

Description: Develop K-12 curriculum recommendations to be submitted for consideration to the History-Social Science Curriculum Commission of the California State Department of Education to improve and enhance California's teaching about the Japanese American experience during and following World War II.

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Scott Shimamoto  
Project: Japanese American Experience Song (CD)  
\$5,000

Description: Write and record for distribution a Hip-Hop song to inspire youth to learn more about Japanese American history in America.

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Richard Okabe  
Topaz Museum  
Project: Oral Interviews from Topaz Internees  
\$5,000

Description: Videotape oral history interviews with Japanese Americans who were interned at the Topaz Internment Camp; mount videotaped interviews on the Densho website.

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Marcia Hashimoto  
Watsonville-Santa Cruz Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League  
Project: Oral Histories  
\$10,000

Description: Conduct in-depth videotaped oral histories to be indexed and mounted on the Densho website.

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Sharon Yamato and Nancy Kapitanoff  
Project: *Gentle Giants* – Michi Nishiura Weglyn Documentary  
\$10,000

Description: Produce a documentary biography film on Michi Weglyn, author of *Years of Infamy: The Untold Story of America's Concentration Camps*.

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Janet Yano  
Project: Internment Board Game Prototype  
\$2,000

Description: Develop a prototype children's educational board game concerning the Japanese American internment during World War II.

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